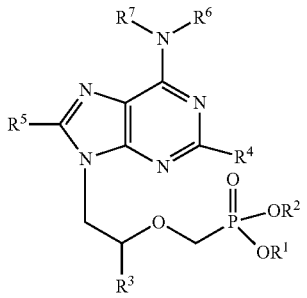
claims without departing from the teachings thereof. All such modifications are intended to be encompassed within the claims of the invention.

Embodiments of the Invention:

A1. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of the formula:



(1)

wherein R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl, C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl, C_6-C_{20} arylalkyl, C_6-C_{20} substituted arylalkyl, acyloxymethyl esters $—CH_2C(=O)R^9$ and acyloxymethyl carbonates $—CH_2C(=O)OR^9$ where R^9 is C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl and C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl;

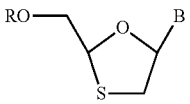
R^3 is selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, or CH_2OR^8 where R^8 is C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 hydroxyalkyl and C_1-C_6 haloalkyl;

R^4 and R^5 are independently selected from H, NH_2, NHR and NR_2 where R is C_1-C_6 alkyl; and

R^6 and R^7 are independently selected from H and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

or a physiologically functional derivative thereof;

in combination with an effective amount of a compound of the formula



(2)

wherein B is selected from adenine, guanine, cytosine, uracil, thymine, 7-deazaadenine, 7-deazaguanine, 7-deaza-8-azaguanine, 7-deaza-8-azaadenine, inosine, nebularine, nitropyrrole, nitroindole, 2-aminopurine, 2-amino-6-chloropurine, 2,6-diaminopurine, hypoxanthine, pseudouridine, 5-fluorocytosine, 5-chlorocytosine, 5-bromocytosine, 5-iodocytosine, pseudocytosine, pseudoisocytosine, 5-propynylcytosine, isocytosine, isoguanine, 7-deazaguanine, 2-thiopyrimidine, 6-thioguanine, 4-thiothymine, 4-thiouracil, O^6-methylguanine, N^6-methyladenine, O^4-methylthymine, 5,6-dihydrothymine, 5,6-dihydrouracil, 4-methylindole, and a pyrazolo[3,4-D]pyrimidine; and

R is selected from H, C_1-C_{18} alkyl, C_1-C_{18} substituted alkyl, C_2-C_{18} alkenyl, C_2-C_{18} substituted alkenyl, C_2-C_{18} alkynyl, C_2-C_{18} substituted alkynyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl, C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl, C_2-C_{20} heterocycle, C_2-C_{20} substituted heterocycle, phosphonate, phosphophosphonate, diphosphophosphonate, phosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, polyethyleneoxy or a physiologically functional derivative thereof; and

a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

B2. A composition of embodiment A1 wherein, in formula 1, R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl, C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl, C_6-C_{20} arylalkyl, C_6-C_{20} substituted arylalkyl, acyloxymethyl esters $—CH_2C(=O)R^9$ and acyloxymethyl carbonates $—CH_2C(=O)OR^9$ where R^9 is C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl and C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl; and R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6 and R^7 are independently H or C_1-C_6 alkyl.

C3. A composition of embodiment A1 wherein, in formula 2, B is cytosine or a 5-halocytosine.

D4. A composition of embodiment A1 wherein, in formula 1, R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl, C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl, C_6-C_{20} arylalkyl, C_6-C_{20} substituted arylalkyl, acyloxymethyl esters $—CH_2C(=O)R^9$ and acyloxymethyl carbonates $—CH_2C(=O)OR^9$ where R^9 is C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 substituted alkyl, C_6-C_{20} aryl and C_6-C_{20} substituted aryl; and R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6 and R^7 are independently H or C_1-C_6 alkyl; and, in formula 2, B is cytosine or a 5-halocytosine.

E5. A composition of embodiment D 4 wherein, in formula 1, R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from H, acyloxymethyl esters $—CH_2C(=O)R^9$ and acyloxymethyl carbonates $—CH_2C(=O)OR^9$ where R^9 is C_1-C_6 alkyl; and R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6 and R^7 are independently H or C_1-C_6 alkyl; and, in formula 2, B is cytosine or a 5-halocytosine and R is H.

F6. A composition of embodiment E5 wherein, in formula 1, R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from H and $—CH_2C(=O)OCH(CH_3)_2$; R^3 is $—CH_3$; and R^4, R^5, R^6 and R^7 are H; and, in formula 2, B is 5-fluorocytosine and R is H.

G7. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of [2-(6-amino-purin-9-yl)-1-methyl-ethoxymethyl]-phosphonic acid diisopropoxycarbonyloxymethyl ester fumarate (tenofovir disoproxil fumarate) or a physiologically functional derivative thereof and a pharmaceutically effective amount of (2R, 5S)-4-amino-5-fluoro-1-(2-hydroxymethyl-1,3-oxathiolan-5-yl)-(1H)-pyrimidin-2-one (emtricitabine) or a physiologically functional derivative thereof; and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

H8. A pharmaceutical formulation of embodiment A1 to G7 further comprising a third active ingredient selected from the group consisting of a protease inhibitor, a nucleoside or nucleotide reverse transcriptase inhibitor, a non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor, and an integrase inhibitor.

I9. A pharmaceutical formulation of embodiments A1 to H8 in unit dosage form.

J10. A method for the treatment or prevention of the symptoms or effects of an HIV infection in an infected animal which comprises administering to said animal a pharmaceutical composition of embodiments claims A1 to I9.

The invention claimed is:

1. A fixed-dose combination comprising 300 mg of tenofovir disoproxil fumarate and 200 mg of emtricitabine wherein the combination exhibits equal to or less than 5% degradation of the tenofovir disoproxil fumarate and emtricitabine after six months at 40° C./75% relative humidity when packaged and stored with silica gel desiccant, and wherein the fixed-dose combination is a tablet.

2. The fixed-dose combination of claim **1** where there is less than 10% degradation of tenofovir disoproxil fumarate over a 24-hour period.